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SUBJ: EXCHANGES: IREX SUMMER LANGUAGE PROGRAM: FISCHER VISA

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1. DURING CALL PAID BY EMBOFF ON MHE QUESTION OF FISHCER VISA AGAIN RAISED WITH SAME RESPONSE FROM MHE. THEY HAVE NO EXPLANATION WHY FISCHER HAS NOT RECEIVED VISA AND PROFESSED TO BE CHECKING WITH SOVEMB ABOUT THE MATTER. EMBOFF ALSO INFORMED MHE THAT IF FISHCER RECEIVES VISA SPERANSKAYA CASE WOULD BE REVIEWED.

2. ACCORDING TO CONVERSATION WITH CO- GROUP LEADER CHANDLER HERE SOVEMB OFFICER' S INFORMAL EXPLANATION TO DEPT MAY BE CORRECT ONE. FISCHER APPARENTLY HERE ON TWO OTHER OCCASIONS AS TOURIST. ON ONE TRIP ACCORDING TO CHANDLER FISHCER MAY HAVE MADE ANTI- SOVIET REMARKS (FISCHER OF POLISH BIRTH AND PARTIAL GERMAN UPBRINGING). IN LIGHT OF PRESENT ERA OF GOOD FEELINGS MHE MAY WISH TO LET MATTER DRAG ON INCONCLUSIVELY UNTIL LOST IN THE MIST RATHER THAN STATE HARSHER AND REAL REASONS FOR DENIAL OF VISA.

3. IF DEPT THINKS ADVISABLE WE WILL ASK THEM FOR FINAL DECISION AND STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR REFUSAL.

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